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FOR EXIMBANK

E.O. 11652: N/A
TAGS: BEXP, EFIN, XMB, KE
SUBJECT: KENYA FIBRE CORPORATION LIMITED

REF: (A) STATE 075179, (B) NAIROBI 3785

1. EMB PASSED INFO CONTAINED REF A TO LEONARD KIBINGE, PERM SEC, MIN FINANCE PLANNING, TODAY APRIL 5.

2. KIBINGE SENT TELEX DIRECT TO EXIM MARCH 30 ASKING FOR COMMITMENT FROM EXIM ON FINANCING FOR KENYA FIBRE CORPORATION (KFC) BY APRIL 6 LATEST. AS RESULT REFTEL, HOWEVER, KIBINGE HAS AGREED WAIT UNTIL LATER THIS WEEK FOR EXIM REPLY.

3. WE UNDERSTAND EXIMBANK BOARD WILL MEET APRIL 8. PLEASE SEND RESULTING REPLY TO KIBINGE, ASSUMING REPLY WILL BE COMPOSED SHORTLY AFTER BOARD MEETING, VIA IMMEDIATE CABLE TO EMBASSY NAIROBI, SO THAT WE CAN DELIVER TO KIBINGE OVER WEEKEND.

4. FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF LETTER WHICH AMBASSADOR RECEIVED APRIL 5 FROM KIBINGE PRIOR RECEIPT REF A: QUOTE: DEAR
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MR. AMBASSADOR, I SPOKE TO YOU SOME TIME BACK REGARDING LATEST DEVELOPMENTS ON THE ABOVE PROJECT ESPECIALLY THE DISTURBING NEWS THAT EXIMBANK MAY PULL OUT OF THEIR PRE-LIMINARY COMMITMENT TO FINANCE A SUBSTANTIAL PORTION OF U.S. MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT. YOU WILL, MR. AMBASSADOR, APPRECIATE THAT IF EXIMBANK WERE TO PULL OUT, THE PROJECT WOULD CEASE TO BE AN AMERICAN ONE SINCE WE WILL BE COM-

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PELLED TO LOOK FOR RESULTANT FINANCIAL SHORTFALL FROM ELSEWHERE.

WE HAVE ASKED EXIMBANK TO MAKE THEIR POSITION KNOWN BY THIS COMING WEDNESDAY, APRIL 6. ENCLOSED PLEASE FIND COPY OF OUR CABLE TO THAT EFFECT. I AM HOPING THAT THERE IS STILL TIME FOR SOMETHING TO BE DONE TO MAINTAIN AMERICAN INTEREST IN THE PROJECT AND I WILL VERY MUCH APPRECIATE WHATEVER YOU CAN DO TOWARDS THIS GOAL. SIGNED, L.O. KIBINGE, PERMANENT SECRETARY TO THE TREASURY. UNQUOTE.

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